

**Eleanor Degen** • Honorable Mention Shorewood Elementary School, Madison Teacher: Jody Lee-Lampe

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 09  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	NOVEMBER 09 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30			1	Discover the outdoors! Learn to use a compass and read maps.	3
Full (Hunter's) Moon  National Fire Prevention Week (Oct 4-Oct 10)	Get ready for the first frost it's coming soon!	6	What colors of leaves can you observe today?	Anniversary of the Peshtigo Fire (1871). This was the worst recorded forest fire in North American history.	9	10
11	Columbus Day	13	Star Spangled Banner written (1814).  Frogs begin to burrow into mud for the winter.	Pumpkins ready for pies and jack-o-lanterns.	16	Watch for woolly bear caterpillars. Some people think these caterpillars can predict winter weather based on the size of their stripes!
National Forest Products Week (Oct 18-Oct 24)  Name 10 different forest products that you use every day.	19	National Fruit Day  — Name the fruits you like to eat that come from trees.	White-tailed deer begin rut. They'll continue rubbing and scraping trees through November.	22	23	24 United Nations Day
25	26	27	28	Tamaracks turn golden. The tamarack is the only conifer in Wisconsin which has needles that change color and fall from the tree	Black bears begin to den.	Halloween GreenWorks! Grants due for the fall funding cycle.

Though robins migrate in the fall, they return to Wisconsin in April. Because of this early arrival, they are sometimes thought of as the first sign of spring.



## Wisconsin Forest Animal

By Travis Hammerstad

Its' tail so soft and bushy,

Its' horns so fierce and such a beauty to see,

Its' eyes so sharp,

Its' legs so strong,

Its' fur so soft,

Its' hoofs so tough,

It runs so swift.

These are some reasons why my

favorite forest animal is a deer!

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